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Pato,

Thanks for your quick reply, and hello to Rampujan if he is still around. The last time I talked to Eli Rizo was in 2001. At the time his address was P.O. Box 3471, San Rafael, 94912. His phone number was (415) 454-3503. I doubt that any of those are good now.

Well, it looks like I am going to have to change this little section a bit. The basic stuff I have is 1) What you have told me; 2) What Eli said, which confirmed that Dolores "must have been the one who told Cesar about Kushner's party", and who added that he didn't think he was "purged", just asked to leave. He says it was mostly about disagreements about the merger, and some anticommunism put in Cesar's head by the AFL-CIO. He says a few other people left. He says that Bob Fisher and Solodow left "because the atmosphere had changed"; 3) Luis Valdez calls it a purge: "Eli's departure was the beginning of "a process of purging...which was ugly, it got real ugly, because specific radicals were being pinpointed within the union...and asked to leave." 4) Ida, who didn't want to be quoted and eventually hung up on me, said that she went in to complain about Eli's departure and Cesar told her: "Well, if you feel that way, maybe Delano and the union are not the right place for you-think about it." 5) And finally, Eddie Frankel said in his Doc Proj essay: "At the strike began to grow, Cesar began to distance himself more and more from any connection to left-wing supporters...Sam Kushner was no longer welcome in Delano. I remember debates about weather to join the AFL-CIO or not, weather that meant selling out, compromising ideals. A lot of volunteers engaged in the debate. Some left as Cesar moved toward affiliation with the AFL-CIO. I was working outside of Delano at the time. But Ida told me that Cesar gave folks the option to leave or join in and accept the union's liberal but not radical politics. Ida, Eli Risco, and other volunteers left."

So, something clearly happened, and it is worth mentioning in the build up to the most significant aspect of what I call "The Pruning of Democratic Delano": the split with the Teatro and allowing Malcriado to close down. But I'm going to have to edit what I have a bit.

Well, this is probably more than you wanted to hear. And more work than I wanted to do on what amounts to a couple of paragraphs in a 600 page book. When I turn the big baby back in, I am going to drive around and visit people. You guys are high on my list. All my best to Debbie.

Frank

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